IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE R.BASANT

WEDNESDAY, THE 22ND AUGUST 2007 / 31ST SRAVANA 1929

Bail Appl..No. 5113 of 2007()

CMP.2249/2007 of J.M.F.C.,PEERUMEDU
O.R.NO.19/07 OF FOREST RANGE, THEKKADY

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: PETITIONER/ACCUSED

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1. SUBRAMANYAN,S/O.VELLY,
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SANKARAPURAM TALUK,VILLUPURAM DIST.

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RESPONDENTS: COMPLAINANT

STATE OF KERALA REP. BY
PUBLIC PROSECUTOR,
HIGH COURT OF KERALA, ERNAKULAM.

BY PUBLIC PROSECUTOR SRI.JAI GEORGE

THIS BAIL APPLICATION HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 22/08/2007 ALONG WITH B.A.NOs.5114, 5115 & 5116 OF 2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY PASSED THE FOLLOWING:

R.BASANT, J

B.A.Nos. 5113, 5114, 5115 & 5116 of 2007

Dated this the 22nd day of August, 2007

ORDER

Common petitioners, two in number, have filed these applications for regular bail. Altogether there are 3 accused persons in all these 3 crimes. The petitioners are accused 1 and 2. In O.R.No.19 of 2007, the petitioners were arrested under suspicious circumstances within the reserved forest on 20.07.07. They were allegedly involved in an attempt to cut and remove sandalwood trees. They were arrested and interrogated. In the course of investigation, their complicity in the 3 earlier crimes registered was revealed. The petitioners continue in custody in all these 4 crimes from 20.07.07.

2. The learned counsel for the petitioners prays, the learned Public Prosecutor does not oppose the said prayer on condition that the investigators may be given some further time to complete the investigation and that adequate safeguards may be insisted and I am satisfied that the petitioners can now be directed to be released on bail on appropriate terms and conditions.

3. In the result, these applications are allowed. The petitioners shall be released on bail on the following terms and conditions.

i) The petitioners shall not be released on the strength of this order prior to 25.08.2007. The Investigators shall in the meantime make every endeavour to complete the investigation.

ii) The petitioners shall execute a bond for Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty thousand only) each with two solvent sureties each for the like sum to the satisfaction of the learned Magistrate;

iii) The petitioners shall make themselves available for interrogation before the Investigating Officer from the date of their release between 10 a.m and 12 noon on all Mondays and Fridays for a period of 3 months and thereafter as and when directed by the Investigating Officer in writing to do so.

(R.BASANT, JUDGE)

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